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AMANDA E. BEAL COMMISSIONER

TESTIMONY BEFORE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

IN SUPPORT OF LD 1799:

"RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND FORESTRY TO CONVEY CERTAIN LAND IN THE LITTLE MOOSE UNIT OF MOOSEHEAD JUNCTION TOWNSHIP"

Senator Claxton, Representative Martin, and members of the Committee, my name is David Rodrigues, and I am the Director of Real Property Management for the Bureau of Parks and Lands, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. I am testifying in favor of LD 1799.

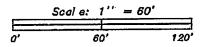
This conveyance of 0.23 acres of public reserved land would relieve an issue for both the Bureau and Mr. Charles Benevento, the abutter. To the best of our knowledge, the encroachment, a structure owned by Mr. Benevento, was erected prior to 1975 when the Bureau of Parks and Lands acquired the property. Evidence was found that Great Northern Nekoosa Corporation, the previous owner, had placed survey pins on-site to rectify the situation in 1965, but no action was taken. A survey performed in 2016 depicts the proposed conveyance.

The proposed conveyance will be for no less than the value obtained by an appraiser licensed in the State of Maine. All closing costs, including attorney and recording fees, will be the responsibility of the buyer. Funds from the sale of this property will be placed into the Public Lands account for Piscataquis County, where they can be used for future acquisitions in that county.

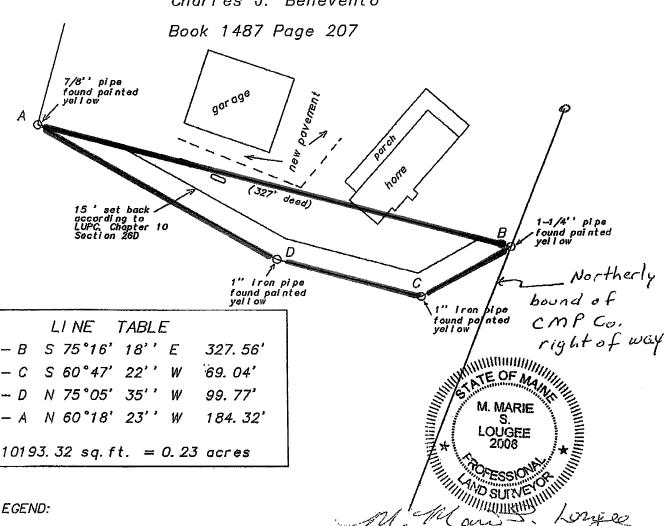
Thank you for your time, and I'll be glad to address any questions.



Proposed Land to be Conveyed to Charles J. Benevento Moosehead Jct. Twp. February 17, 2016



Charles J. Benevento



LEGEND:

pin" or pipe found property lines proposed property lines

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